Evergreen

Evergreen, Feb. 20.- The B. T. U. had a Valentine social on Tuesday evening at the Baptist Church.

Mrs. Clara Garrett called in the home of Mr. and Mrs. S. R. Paulette Wednesday evening.

Rev. E. Paulette, of Lynchburg, called in the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. C. Paulette Saturday.

Ryland Womack had a tonsil operation in Lynchburg the past week and is recovering nicely.

J. R. Conner and son, R.J., of Lynchburg were here Saturday.

Billy Ferguson, of Appomattox, called in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jennings Ferguson Thursday evening.

Mrs. Melvin Grisham was in Lynchburg Friday.

Those who called in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Z. V. Harvey Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Ransom, Mrs. J. A. Young, Mrs. H. C. Staples and Mrs. R. E. Harris.

Mrs. W. W. Jennings was dinner guest Thursday with Mrs. Gilbert Dickins, at Appomattox.

Mr. and Mrs. John Farrar and Bob Shanks were in Lynchburg Monday.

Mrs. Bessie Franklin, of Pamplin visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Franklin the past week.

Dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Wooldridge Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. S. T. Richardson and Mr. Jesse Garvin, of Appomattox. Visiting in the evening were Mr. and Mrs. O. J. Davis and son, Farmville.

Friends here were saddened to hear of the death of Mr. W. M. Lumm, of Petersburg.

Mr. and Mrs. Otis Davis and son, of Farmville called in the Hamilton home Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Lucado and family, of Lynchburg and Mr. and Mrs. Willard Paulette and family, of Richmond spent the week- end with Mr. and Mrs. Jennings Ferguson.

There was a Valentine party at the Evergreen school Wednesday The Valentine box offering was opened and everyone received Valentines. Two large heart-shaped cakes were served by Mrs. O. C. Paulette and the teachers. Also cany, popcorn, cookies and soft drinks. The P.-T. A. sponsored the party.

Evergreen, Feb. 20.- Mrs. Mary Sullivan, of Lynchburg spent the week-end here with her parents.

Mr. and Mrs. David Garrett spent the week-end in Washington and Alexandria visiting her sisters, Mrs. J. T. Gibson and Mrs. W. H. Smith.

Miss Minnie Harris, of Oakville recently visited Misses Eulalia and Elnora Glover.

Mrs. Sam Jennings visited her brother, Mr. Linda Grisham Saturday in Lynchburg. He continues ill.

Jay Stewart spent the week-end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Stewart.

A. B. Ferguson is visiting his daughter, and family, Mrs. T. D. Harris, of Oakville.

Mr. and Mrs. D. M. Gamble moved last Saturday to Eunice, La. We hated to see them leave.

Miss Phyllis LeGrand has been ill, but is able to be out now.

Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Jennings and family spent the week-end with his mother, Mrs. Sam Jennings.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Warriner visited his sister and family last Sunday, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Paulette.

Mrs. John Notestein attended the Almond-Mann wedding at Appomattox Saturday.

NEW HOPE FOR HEARTS

by HOWARD B. [illegible], M.D.
President, American [illegible] Association

Among the things that money [illegible] cannot buy is a new heart to replace a sick one. But money can buy new hope for our hearts, for the hearts of our family, friends, and community.

Dr. Sprague

The 1951 Heart Fund, which is being conducted throughout February, offers you the American public an opportunity to add in a very practical and effective way to the fight to protect the hearts of our citizens against heart and circulatory disease. The heart diseases directly affect at least [illegible] men, women and children in this country, causing some 675,000 deaths annually, or more than [illegible] of the total yearly death toll. Though since heart disease is the leading slayer and destroyer of life, it constitutes the most challenging public health problem facing the nation today.

To help deal with this [illegible] aggressively and effectively, the American Heart Association and its affiliates are seeking public support for a three-sided program of research, education, and community service.

Priority in this program goes to research, without which no substantial progress can be achieved. And that is why the American Heart Association is dedicated primarily to productive fundamental research, to advances in the cardiovascular field, to discoveries that will help to understand, represent, in great part, an investment in research with an expected return in basic knowledge, the value we place upon it.

Research support has made possible significant progress in surgical treatment of abnormalities of the heart and circulation, prevention of recurrent attacks of rheumatic fever through penicillin prophylaxis, the significant drops in deaths caused by coronary thrombosis, ACTH and cortisone treatment of rheumatic fever and collagen diseases, and the development of cholesterol-free diets which may further additional clues to the cause of hardening of the arteries.

Education of professional groups and of the public, and stimulation of well-conceived programs of community service services, putting to practical knowledge and extending its coverage, are two major objectives of the Association and its affiliates. Successful education begins the physician up to date regarding the latest advanced advances, aiding him in the early recognition, diagnosis, and treatment of heart diseases. Lay education can help eliminate harmful fears, encourages the individual to seek early medical care, turns him toward rehabilitation instead of wasted invalidism.

Continued progress in controlling, curing heart disease will be impossible without public support of the 1951 Heart Fund drive. Your [illegible] hearts depends upon the generosity of the American heart, and the value we place upon it.

Jimmie Womack celebrated his first birthday Sunday at the home of his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Dillard Baker. Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. Jack Baker, Mrs. Marion Lucado, of Lynchburg; and Miss Bernice Thomas. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. James Womack, Jr.

Route One

Route One, Feb. 20.- The Susan Haar H. D. Club met with Mrs. Lawrence Hudson on Wednesday. They had a discussion on community meals. Peach dumplins and coffee were served by the leaders, Mrs. Henry Mann and Mrs. Everett Ferguson. Mrs. Mondie gave a talk on, "You and your government."

Mrs. Horace Goad and daughter, Donnie are spending the week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Hudson.

This community was saddened by the death of two neighbors, Mr. Cecil Nash and Mr. George Woodson. We extend our sympathy to the two families.

Mrs. Berkley Mayberry was taken to a Lynchburg hospital this week for an operation.

Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Jennings visited their daughter, Mrs. Elliott Nash, on Sunday.

Mrs. Barbara Johnson visited Miss Gilda Johnson Monday evening.

Mrs. John Jones is ill at this writing.

Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Hudson spent the week-end in Lewisburg, W. Va., with friends.

Little Misses Donnie Goad and Mereline O'Cull visited Linda Nash Monday night.

Liberty Chapel

Liberty Chapel, Feb. 20.- Visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Reynolds Sunday were Mrs. Florene Phelps, Miss Cotelle Phelps, Miss Avis Holt and Bobby Phelps.

Mr. and Mrs. John W. Gunter, Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Covington and Mr. and Mrs. Howard Gilbert were supper guests recently of Mr. and Mrs. William O'Brien.

Mr. and Mrs. Hunter Jamerson were dinner guests Saturday of Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Reynolds.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Nuckols, Mr. and Mrs. Percy Garrett, Mr. and Mrs. Jessie Harvey, Jr. and Gloris Ann Lewis were visitors Tuesday night of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Thornhill.

Yonley Garrett, of Blackstone, was a dinner guest Wednesday with Mr. and Mrs. Percy Garrett.

Spout Spring

Spout Spring, Feb. 20.- Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Caldwell and daughter of Danville and Mr. and Mrs. Orie Schaubach, of Crewe were recent guests of Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Zastrow.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Layne spent Monday with his brother, who is a patient at Memorial Hospital.

Frances Carson, who has been ill for several weeks, is out again.

Mrs. W. J. Walton and son visited in Lynchburg Saturday.

Rev. and Mrs. W. J. Boyd were visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Almond Sunday evening.

Mrs. George Carson entertained a number of friends at a quilting Tuesday.

Miss Frances Smith and Mrs. E. C. Scruggs were guests of Mrs. George Carson Sunday afternoon.

Pamplin RFD 1

Pamplin, R. F. D. One, Feb. 19.- Mr. and Mrs. George Tolley, of Roanoke were Sunday guests of W. J. Tolley and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Roscoe Fulton, of Lynchburg spent the week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Mathis.

Mrs. Hugh Bryant, of Cullen spent Monday with her sister, Mrs. Joe Meadows.

Mrs. Melvin Arrington was a visitor in Farmville Monday.

Misses Virginia Richardson and Ruth Arrington, of Farmville, and Nona Meadows, of Lynchburg spent the week-end at their homes here.

Quite a few of the young folks attended the M. Y. F. Sub-District meeting at the Memorial Methodist Church at Appomattox on Monday night.

The M. Y. F. will give a party in the home of Mrs. E. C. Baldwin on Saturday night, in honor of Mark and Luke Hilpe, who will leave soon for the armed service.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Meadows, of Richmond spent the week-end with relatives here.

We are glad to see M. P. Welch out again after a recent illness.

GRATITUDE REBUILT HISTORIC CHURCH

Manassas, Va., Feb. 21- Yankee gratitude for Confederate compassion takes on solid shape in Sudley Church, familiar landmark on the northern fringe of the twice famous old battlefield of Manassas.

In the opening battle of the Civil War, on July 21, 1861, the Confederate line at first gave way, and the Northerners swept past the Stone House and started up Henry Hill. But there Jackson's brigade, "standing like a stone wall," saved the day, and after hours of fighting on Henry Hill the blue clad Union troops broke, then fled in panic.

Private John Rice of the Union army could not flee. He had been shot through both lungs and left for dead in a fence corner north of the Stone House. After two days of half delirious, thirst craved torture, Private Rice was found by Mr. and Mrs. Ansel Benson who owned a small farm near Sudley Church. Although Rice was an enemy, the Bensons washed flies and dirt from his wound and persuaded an overworked Confederate surgeon to leave the hospital he had set up in Sudley Church and attend Rice's wound. The surgeon examined Rice, murmured "hopeless" and returned to his operating pench in Sudley Church.

The Benson's, not daring to move Rice, improvised a shelter over the fence corner in which he lay, and set out to care him as best they could. Rice recovered, was exchanged, fought through the remaining years of the war, and was discharged in 1865 as a Lieutenant Colonel. When peace came Rice established himself in Springfield, Massachusetts, married, was elected to the Massachusetts legislature, and became a man of influence.

Twenty- seven years after the First Battle of Manassas, Colonel Rice returned to the Manassas battlefields to hunt up the benefactors who had saved his life. To his delight he found the Bensons still living on their farm near Sudley Church. The Bensons were impoverished by the war, but when Colonel Rice offered to pay them for their kindness, Mrs. Benson replied: "All you want to do that, our little church over yonder was destroyed during the war. It has cost us a struggle to rebuild it, and we still owe on it. The debt is a heavy burden in this poor country."

When Rice returned to Massachusetts an account of his visit was published in the Springfield Repub. lican. Contributions for Sudley Church rolled in, and on November 28, 1886, Rice forwarded to the Bensons a money order in an amount sufficient to pay off the indebtedness on the church.

The Manassas battlefields are today maintained as a national shrine known as Manassas Ntaional Battlefield Park. The rolling hills over which the battles of 1861-1862 raged are now dotted with markers erected by the Virginia Conservation Commission and memorials to the men who fought so fiercely because they believed right.

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County of Appomattox Commonwealth of Virginia

A list of tracts of land and town lots returned delinquent for non-payment of taxes for the year 1948. Amount state includes penalty, interest and advertising cost. The sale will be held at Court House at Appomattox, Virginia on Thursday, March 22nd, at 10 A. M. unless tax is paid before that date.

CLOVER HILL — WHITE

Burrell, Ira	30 acres
Taylor, Marie F. & Heirs	2 acres
Tully, S. L.	6 acres

SOUTHSIDE — WHITE

Appomattox Aquatic Club	2-3 acre
Cordell, Chas. H. & Mollie M.	100 acres
Farrar, Chas. W.	20 acres
Ginder, Mary L.	27 1-4 acres
Johnson, Willard C.	2.85 acres
Stewart, Duncan	2.67 acres

STONEWALL DISTRICT — WHITE

Ayers, Irvin	2 acres
Davis, Sarah E.	40 acres
Davis, Thomas W.	24 3-4 acres
Hundley, Elijah	11 1-4 acres
Poage, Norton J.	6 acres

TOWN OF PAMPLIN — WHITE

Will, Irvin H.	Lot

CLOVER HILL DISTRICT — COLORED

Cawthorn, Anthony Est.	83 acres
Cheatham, Arthur & Hudson	66 acres
Hancock, A. B.	1 acre
Hancock, A. H.	26 acres
Hancock, Elvira	3 acres
Jones, Sylvester & Ida	35.91 acres
McDearmon, Sam care George Morgan	1 acre
McDearmon, Willie	1-4 acre
Rice, Eliza	1 acre
Walker, J. D. & M. L.	1-2 acre
Walker, Robert & Giles	82 1-2 acres
Walker, Robert & Giles	49.8 acres

SOUTHSIDE DISTRICT — COLORED

Davis, Sam C.	193 acres
Harvey, Catherine E.	3 acres

STONEWALL DISTRICT — COLORED

Doss, Fannie	10 acres
Lee, John	4 acres
Moore, Henry	4 acres
Pankey, Hubert	4 1-2 acres
Pankey, Sadie	50 acres
Pankey, Sadie	55.21 acres
Robertson, Lucy	29 acres
	3 acres

R. L. BURKE, TREASURER OF APPOMATTOX COUNTY
Appomattox, Va., February 17, 1951

Uncle Sam Says

Medical reserves are told of Army need for personnel.

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Father Darkleef's Column
by e.h.r

I was working away at my desk some weeks ago now, when the front door opened and in came my old friend, Mr. Charles E. Lewis, of Ivy, P. D. 3. Mr. Lewis is quite an historian and seldom fails to come up with a wealth of information about old families, scenes and incidents of days gone by. And Mr. Lewis was well prepared on this trip to my office. First of all, he reached into his pocket and came out with a twist of tobacco. I claim that this is one of the oldest twists of tobacco in the world . . . for it belongs to Mr. Lewis' grandfather, John Davis, of Buckingham County, Va., and was raised in the year 1857. That is a long time to keep tobacco. But it is well preserved save for two things: it has dried out to very little condition, and it has lost its flavor and tobacco smell. Mr. Lewis says it lost its flavor by being stored in moth balls for so many years, and that I can see . . stored in moth balls 93 years:

Well, then Mr. Lewis reached into his pocket and came out with an ancient pocketbook. It was a leather wallet somewhat larger than the style carried by men in this day and time . . and we opened up this pocketbook . . . and written across the inside were these words: "Zane Davis, Sarah E. Davis, Thomas W. Hundley, Elijah Poage, Norton J.

Will, Irvin H.

The 200th anniversary of the founding of Thomas Gray's important poem: Elegy in a Country Churchyard, came a couple of Sundays ago. But it was not the anniversary of when Gray wrote the classic. That would be 1750. He mailed the poem to his friend Horace Walpole, and the poem was published in February, 1751. Do you know the poem? Some may say they have not, and others may say they do not care for poetry. But I say you do know many of the lines because they are part and parcel of our language. Thomas Gray himself is buried only a few miles from the yew tree in the famous churchyard in Buckinghamshire. Some say the yew tree is 1,000 years old. Who knows. But Thomas Gray will never be forgotten because he gave the world some-thing imperishable in his Elegy. And many a gem of purest ray serene

is a rose is born to blush unseen,
waste its sweetness of the desert air."

And such lines as:

The paths of glory lead but to the grave

and the short and simple annals of the poor . . far from the madding crowd's ignoble strife . . and yes, 100,000 visitors last year came to the grave of Thomas Gray remembering a man who gave the world one poem in 1751.

Listen to the Country Editor at 6:45 each Friday and to the Appomattox Reporter at 12:30 each Friday over WWOD, Lynchburg).

Farm Shop Will Reopen

Farm Machinery Repair Class for farmers in Appomattox County will open Wednesday evening, March 7, in the first community night at [illegible]. Farmers of the community have had the new vocational agricultural shop which was recently completed.

The class will be under the direction of R. N. Ashworth and Bernard Jamerson. It will operate Wednesday and Thursday evenings between the hours of 7:00 and 10:00 P. M. It is the past hundreds of farmers have learned the basic skills required to keep their farm mechanical implements on the home farm in operation.

Tobacco Men Asked to Meet

The Appomattox Farm Bureau is sponsoring a Dark-Fired Tobacco meeting Thursday, March 8, at 7:30 P. M. in the county court house.

Dr. J. L. Maxton, Extension Agricultural Economist, of V. P. I.; Mr. T. B. Hall, manager of the Virginia Dark Fired Tobacco Growers Association, and Senator C. T. Moses, all address the group. Congressman W. M. Abbitt has been invited.

Every tobacco grower and business men are invited.

Board Explains Pay Schedule

One of the big questions arising with the induction of men into the armed service is the subject of pay and allowances. In order to help clarify the situation, state headquarters for Selective Service has released figures showing what a registrant may expect in the way of monetary reimbursement for his military services.

Upon going into active duty a basic private receives $75.00 a month, and if he has no dependents this is his actual rate of pay. If he has one dependent his minimum pay deduction toward an allotment is $40.00, which leaves him $35.00 a month to spend on himself. The dependent will receive $85.00 a month, the difference between $40 and $85 being supplied by the government.

With the soldier's pay and the amount of the allotment added as total income, it is found that he has actually earned in cash $1440.00 a year, or an average of $27.69 per week.

After five months of service the soldier is subject to a $5.00 a month increase, which goes directly to him and does not affect his allotment, but does increase his yearly average to $1500.00 per annum or $28.84 per week. Upon becoming a full private (E 2) he receives another $2.50 raise per month, still not affecting his allotment home. Another raise in pay is due the soldier when he is promoted to private first class (E 3). His pay is then increased to $55.55 over the pay table and his allotment remains the same. In the meantime if a man has no dependents his actual pay has increased from $75.00 to $80.00 to $82.50 to $95.00 as a Pfc.

The amounts given are subject to existing tax laws at present, but there has been some talk of exemption for certain pay scales in the service. This has not as yet become law. Allotments are tax exempt.

There are other factors to be taken into consideration when figuring financial means of a man in service. Some of them are: (1) He is furnished his food, clothing, and lodging. (2) Medical care and dental care. (3) On post entertainments such as movies (much less costly than civilian treater, yet first-run pictures are shown). (4) Post exchange purchases are less costly than in civilian retail stores. There are other considerations of a minor nature which do not materially change the picture.

Hugh Tanner Club President

A Young Farmers' Club was organized at Appomattox on Tuesday night in the new agriculture building, with Hugh Tanner of the Stonewall neighborhood as president; Billy Wheeler, vice president; Tom Moore, secretary and treasurer; and Henry Pack as advisor. Executive committee consists of Clark Lewis and Alton Moore.

The primary object of this club is to develop group and individual responsibility of young farmers in programs of instruction in vocational agriculture designed to meet their needs in becoming established in farming.

Other objectives are to develop character and train for useful citizenship; to plan and render worthwhile community service based on the needs of the community.

The club will meet at times set by the president. At present i meets on Tuesday nights.

Pamplin Teams Win Titles In Tournament

Pamplin High School's boys' and girls basketball teams won the Group III, District J championship at Lynchburg Saturday night, February 24. The boys won over Boonsboro with a score of 48 - 37, which gave them a chance at the South-Central Regional title next week-end against the winner of District K. Buddy Carson led the scoring with 17 points, followed by LeRoy Davis with 11 and Wilber St. John with 10.

In the girls contest, Gladys Layne with 22 points, Tola Coleman with 17 and Betty Carrell with 12, accounted for all 51 points in Pamplin's 51 - 31 triumph over Stewartsville.

After the two games Lynchburg College athletic director James C. Fox awarded the winning and the runner-up trophies to the teams in both the boys and girls divisions. The college was host to the tournament.

Red Cross Fund Drive

The annual Red Cross Fun-I Drive is scheduled for the period March 1 to 15. Appomattox County has a quota of $1,600.

Local people have just shown their knowledge of the necessity of the Red Cross blood program by a splendid response. One Red Cross official declared, "Appomattox is a living exemple of what can be done when people are willing." Each mobile visit will meet the local charter about $200, but blood lives.

Calls upon the Red Cross are increasing. Mrs. Don Moses, of the home service committee, reports an active contact in cases of emergencies between service men and their families.

The chapter is asked to organize first aid and nurses' aid classes and to cooperate closely with all plans for defense mobilization.

Both the local and the national Red Cross funds are used for the aid of humanity in time of disaster and trouble internationally, the organization strives to better the conditions for prisoners of war.

Volunteer solicitors will ask for contributions from those living in or employed in the town of Appomattox. The county contributions may be made through the churches.

Fund officials are: H. A. Gurney, campaign chairman; Carey Harvey, treasurer; Mrs. Bessie H. Caldwell, publicity chairman, and H. E. Kerr, chapter chairman.

Home Agents Schedule

Home Demonstration Agent's schedule March 5 - 10:

The demonstration for each home demonstration club will be window treatment.

Monday, March 5.- Rocks Home Demonstration Club, 2 P. M., with Mrs. Toby Ingo. Demonstration by Mrs. J. H. Ranson.

Tuesday, March 6.- The Lee Home Demonstration Club, 2 P. M., with F. A. O'Brien. Demonstration by Mrs. Abbott Coleman and Mrs. Leslie Gordon.

Wed.. March 7.- Glendale Home Demonstration Club, 10 A. M. with Mrs. E. W. Marshall. Demonstration by Mrs. Elva Overton and Mrs. Shelby Tucker. Members are asked to bring quilt patterns and material for exchange. Social hour.

Thurs., March 8.- 9 A. M. Pamplin 4-H Club, at the school. Evergreen 4-H Club at 10:30.

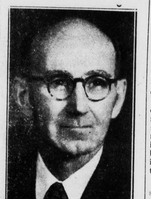
Thurs., March 8.- The Stonewall Home Demonstration Club, 2 P. M., with Miss Verna Harding. Demonstration on community meals by Miss Harding and Miss Edna Adcock.

Friday, March 9.- Richwood Home Demonstration, 2 P. M., with Mrs. J. L. Wooldridge. Demonstration by Mrs. J. E. Wooldridge.

EVERGREEN P.-T. A.

The Evergreen P.-T. A. held its regular meeting Friday night, February 23. After the roll call, business was discussed. The next meeting will be held March 20.

Hudgins' 25th Anniversary As Local County Agent


R. B. HUDGINS

R. B. Hudgins, County Agent for Appomattox County today observes his twenty-fifth anniversary in that position. He succeded the late W. H. Byrne March 1, 1926.

The popular Appomattox agent is a native of Buckingham County, and is a brother of Chief Justice Edward Wrenn Hudgins of the Virginia Supreme Court. After attending Fork Union Military Academy, he entered V. P. I. and since his graduation there has devoted his life to agriculture.

Many honors have come to him during his career. He is a member of Epsilon Sigma Phi, and in 1918 was presented a certificate of merit by the National County Agents Association for outstanding community service. That same year at Chicago he was initiated into the national fraternity of Squanto—an organization named for Squanto, the Indian who is called the "first county agent of the nation because he improved corn production by burying a fish as fertilizer under each corn plant. Mr. Hudgins is also a member of the national retirement committee of county agents and has long been recognized as one of the top agents in the Old Dominion.

Many changes have transpired in farming in Piedmont Virginia during the quarter of a century he has served here, and many of the improvements in farm economy here can be traced to his leadership.

A. R. Harwood Concludes Account of California Trip

(By A. R. Harwood)

(Editor's note: We thank Mr. Harwood for this series of interesting travel notes on his recent 18-day automobile trip to California.)

I feel I must tell you some more about what I wrote Dana means to the whole area adjacent: I mentioned the fact that the six huge turbine generators made electricity serving a very large section and I was told the current is sold wholesale to the local electric companies and they in turn sell to the users. You will begin to grasp the magnitude of this whole setup if you visualize six 13 foot steel pipes delivering water to the six turbines. No wonder the dam does not fill to overflow.

As to irrigation and what it does for farmers: we saw large acreages all along southern California and some other sections with groves and hundreds and hundreds of fat sheep, acre after acre in alphalpha, which evidently yields big crops because it was stored in great ricks of bales as big as barns without roof or protection, no rain of consequence making a roof unnecessary.

We stopped at one field where water was pouring into rows and found a great field of celery, the rows were about 24 inches apart and the plants jammed up close in the rows. A Jap was attending and he told us the cash yield was about $5,000 per acre, but he added fertilizer, labor and water costs were very high.

On the hillsides were orange groves and these were irrigated by spray system from pipes. Artificial watering means everything to this section.

Now we are driving into Las Vegas, Nevada, January 11, being 419 miles from Long Beach. What a town! It was dark and threatening rain and as we got near this city on every tourist court and service station bright signs advertised every kind of gambling known to man. We got settled for the night and asked our host if it was safe to go out and get supper. He assured us we would be safe and welcome anywhere and said be sure to visit the Golden Nuggett. So we stuck close together and ventured out to see the sights. And sights it was, in this Golden Nuggett, said to represent a million dollars, lighted by neon lights, with a section having special wires for betting on races, leather covered round tables for poker players, roulette dice games and the walls lined with slot machines. There must have been four or five hundred folk, all busy at some form of gambling, men and women. One old woman was seen to open her purse and it seemed she had two half dollars left and started out—but no, back she came and fed it all to the half-dollar machine.

That was the show place, but every place was in the game and even in eating places slot machines were ready to take your money.

From here we headed toward Grand Canyon. Thought sure we could see the lower half, but when we got to a small town called Williams, it had been snowing and we stopped to get gasoline and asked the fellow what he thought about going on and spending the night at Grand Canyon. He advised spending the night and see what it was like in the morning. We took his advice and the next morning had 5 inches of snow. We gave up Grand Canyon and had a time getting over a mountain at Prescott, Arizona. Had to put on chains but we made it to Tucson, Arizona for the night. This was Friday night, January 12.

Saturday was not too exciting except when we were about across from Arizona to New Mexico we stopped to get gasoline and the friendly owner said, "I see you have oranges and dates in the car." (We had bought several nice bags of oranges and several 5 lb. boxes of dates as we left California.) He said, "I am sorry to tell you about 4 miles beyond the next town is an inspection station and unless you can hide this fruit, they will take it away from you." California had gotten our apples and we still had about that and now we had about ten or twelve dollars worth of fruit that we did not want to lose. What would you have done? I went to the Postoffice at the next town and thought of sending them on via parcel post, but no, unless we had inspection tags. I don't know what you would have done, but we cut the dates under the front seat behind my big feet. We put part of the oranges under the hood of the car, one bag under Russell's overcoat at his feet and one in the trunk under our raincoats and luggage. Sure enough they stopped us and said, "Let's see what kind of fruit you have." Raymond opened the trunk but did not open his mouth and they saw nothing. Next they opened the door next to Russell. "What have you in here in the way of fruit?" he asked. Taking two apples from his coat pocket, Russell answered, "Here are two apples I had in my pocket." "Drive on," they said. We outsmarted them this time, got the bags from under the hood back into the car and brought them home. Did we do right or not?

We drove 523 miles this day to Pecos, Texas; saw a lot of oil fields and waste lands; nothing exciting.

We drove all day Sunday, January 14, and spent the night at Mineola, Texas. We went to church that night and heard a good sermon. Bulletin board said they had 800 members and 417 were present, collection $962.15. We at Appomattox have got to do better if we match that record.

Monday we drove out of Texas, across Louisiana, Mississippi, and into Alabama, heading for Livingston, Alabama. We had a notion we might see our old friends, the McCain's. Sure enough, we asked about a McCain Tourist Court and the man said about a mile out on Route 11. We drove up and Adfield met us. We spent the night in one of his nice cabins. We also visited with them in the home for a while,

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1750 Persons Used Cannery At Appomattox

Patrons of the Appomattox School Community Cannery conserved 60,939 cans of food during 1950, according to a report released today by Henry B. Pack, instructor of Vocational Agriculture, and Miss Viola Carlson, teacher of Vocational Home Economics. Between July 1 to December 31, 1950, 1751 individuals representing 469 families used the cannery facilities. "While the total number of cans of food processed is significant, we are most gratified by the number of individuals enrolling for instruction in food conservation," Mr. Pack stated.

The number of cans of food conserved included 13,862 No. 3, or quart size, tin cans; 37,189 No. 2, or pint size, tin cans, and 9,883 glass jars. The use of glass containers in the school community cannery program here was possible for the first time in 1950 following installation of recently perfected equipment.The largest number of cans processed during a single day was on August 15 when 2,418 cans of food were conserved. As in former years, a greater quantity of vegetables were canned than any other type of food. In second place was fruits, followed by meats. New products canned in quantity for the first time in 1950 included apple butter which proved very popular. A marked decrease in the amount of food dehydrated was noted.

Mrs. Rachel Cawthorne and Gilbert Mays served as lay instructors during the 1950 season. Robert Ellis was fireman - janitor. Mr. Pack, Miss Viola Carson and Miss Easley Shuford are responsible for supervision of the school community cannery program. The school program is a cooperative undertaking of Vocational Agriculture and Vocational Home Economics and is conducted as a phase of the Vocational Adult Education Program. The Appomattox School Community Cannery was established in 1945 and has operated continuously since that time.

A. H. S. Boys And Girls Win Games

The A. H. S. basketball teams will play in a tournament this week-end to conclude the schedule. The girls will play in Group II Region 4 IV tournament, which will be held at Gretna Thursday night at 7:30. The Appomattox girls will be playing Bedford High School that night. If they win, they will compete against the winner of Friday night's game on Saturday night, also at Gretna. A. H. S. girls were one of the four top teams in the league, the other three being Bedford, Gretna and Schoolfield.

A. H. S. boys will enter the Invitational Tournament which is being held in Lynchburg at the Robert E. Lee Junior High Friday night.

Boys and girls teams set a record in winning both of their last two games. It was the first victory for the boys, showing how much their play has developed.

Thursday night they played the Madison Heights High School in a league. The boys won 44 to 40, and the girls won 44 to 35. Barbara Ann Johnson was high scorer for the girls with 33 points. Bea Totty scored 8 points, Virginia Chandler 2 and Nina Barlow 1. Bill Jamerson was high scorer for the boys with 20 points. Carlton Thomas and Ray Wingfield had 8 points each, Leon Paulette 6 and J. T. Guill 2.

Tuesday night each of the teams defeated Phillips Secretarial College. The girls score was 56 - 30 and the A. H. S. boys won 42 -17. Bea Totty was high scorer for the girls with 28 points, followed by Barbara Johnson with 26 and Virginia Chandler with 2. For the boys, Leon Paulette had 12, Bill Jamerson 9, Ray Wingfield 8, J. T. Guill 7, 'Red' Thomas 4 and Earl Agee 2.

Soviet orders retail prices cut 10 to 20 per cent.

Petersburg ordered to provide treatment of sewage waste.

Organized crime held stronger than ever in U. S.